English Language Learners Update
December 2015

Florida Organization of Instructional Leaders
(FOIL) Conference
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Who are our English Language Learners (ELLs)?
Home Language of English Language Learners

- Spanish 73.02%
- Haitian Creole 8.14%
- Other or Multiple Mark 11.64%
- Not Specified 1.46%
- Arabic 1.22%
- Chinese/Zhongwen 0.62%
- French 0.56%
- Portuguese 1.38%
- Russian 0.49%
- Tagalog 0.30%
- Urdu 0.17%
- Vietnamese 1.01%

Source: Florida 2015 Spring CELLA State Results

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English Language Learner Population

Source: Survey 3
It is like this: two pieces of the puzzle for ELLs: content and language. Both need to be integrated for ELL academic success.
What are Florida’s English Language Development (ELD) Standards and where can I find them?
Florida's English Language Development (ELD) Standards from WIDA

Five Standards from WIDA

• Social and Instructional Language
• Language of Language Arts
• Language of Math
• Language of Science
• Language of Social Studies
• Web Resources: www.wida.us
• Especially WIDA's 2012 Amplification of the ELD Standards
Florida's English Language Development (ELD) Standards from WIDA

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Academic Language
Florida's English Language Development (ELD) Standards from WIDA

Five Standards from WIDA

• Social and Instructional Language - English language learners communicate for social and instructional purposes within the school setting.

• Language of Language Arts - English language learners communicate information, ideas and concepts necessary for academic success in the content area of Language Arts.

• Language of Math - English language learners communicate information, ideas and concepts necessary for academic success in the content area of Math.

• Language of Science - English language learners communicate information, ideas and concepts necessary for academic success in the content area of Science.

• Language of Social Studies - English language learners communicate information, ideas and concepts necessary for academic success in the content area of Social Studies.

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Florida's English Language Development (ELD) Standards from WIDA-Resources

- ELD Standards are now available on CPALMS at cpalms.org in course descriptions and under the standards tab.
- For 2015 and beyond, every course description will include the language of social and instructional purposes standard.
- For 2015 and beyond, the content specific standard (language arts, math, science or social studies) has been added where appropriate.
- An explanation has been added in the notes section of each course.
- A link to a document delineating performance definitions and descriptors has been added.
Florida's English Language Development (ELD) Standards from WIDA-Resources

• The supporting document, performance definitions and descriptors, contains descriptions of what an English Language Learners (ELLs) know and can do in listening, speaking, reading and writing at five different English proficiency levels.

• This supporting document also includes global strategies to assist instruction.

• In the future I hope to have links to documents with greater specificity within a particular discipline, like science, and training opportunities also.

• See Link to Video Interview for Florida Science Educators: https://fldoe.wistia.com/medias/ggdr13fg21
What trainings have been available on Florida’s ELD Standards?
Trainings for English Language Development Standards Implementation

- August 25-28, 2015 - Tallahassee host district, northwest, northeast – Completed
- October 5-8, 2015 – Miami host district, south – Completed
- October 26-29, 2015 – Lake Mary host district, east central – Completed
- November 30 – December 3, 2015 – Registration Closed
  - Palm Beach Gardens host district, southeast
  - Tampa host district, west central
Trainings for English Language Development Standards Implementation

• Online Options – Trainings Currently Available
  • WIDA
    • Introduction to English Language Development Standards Framework Webinar
    • Link: https://vimeo.com/140352725
    • Packet: https://www.wida.us/get.aspx?id=1866
  • iCPALMS
    • PCG – K-5 Supporting English Language Learners in Standards-Based Instruction in ELA & Literacy
    • PCG – 6-12 Supporting English Language Learners in Standards-Based Instruction in ELA & Literacy
Reminder: English Language Arts Formative Assessment System (ELFAS)

- Teacher support tools for implementation of the Language Arts Florida Standards
- Goal: to develop, review, and align formative assessment activities
- Vetted Resources
- Interactive Tools
- Florida educator log in through FLDOE Single Sign On (SSO) available
What accommodations and instructional practices do we expect to see when observing classrooms with ELLs?
Accommodations and Instructional Practices for English Language Learners (ELLs) for Classroom Observation

• Evidence of Bilingual Dictionary
• Evidence of Extended Time
• Evidence of Flexible Setting
• Evidence of Bilingual Support for Lowest-Level ELLs
• Evidence of ELL Engagement in Lesson
• Evidence of ELL Consideration in Lesson Plans
• Evidence of English Language Development Standards in Lesson Plans
• Evidence of Teacher Awareness of ELL Levels of Students
What does our ELL performance on statewide assessments look like?
Reading Grade 5

2012: State All Students - 61%, Clay - 26%, Leon - 36%, Monroe - 20%
2013: State All Students - 60%, Clay - 26%, Leon - 30%, Monroe - 22%
2014: State All Students - 61%, Clay - 33%, Leon - 36%, Monroe - 23%
Reading Grade 6

- State All Students
- State ELLs
- Alachua
- Brevard
- Clay

2012: 57% State All Students, 12% State ELLs, 33% Alachua, 30% Brevard, 28% Clay
2013: 59% State All Students, 16% State ELLs, 32% Alachua, 30% Brevard, 26% Clay
2014: 60% State All Students, 18% State ELLs, 42% Alachua, 32% Brevard, 26% Clay
Reading Grade 8

- State All Students: 55% (2012) to 57% (2014)
- State ELLs:
  - Alachua: 10% (2012) to 19% (2014)
  - Brevard: 10% (2012) to 13% (2014)
  - Leon: 23% (2012) to 29% (2014)
Reading Grade 10

2012: State All Students - 50%, State ELLs - 28%, Alachua - 9%, Escambia - 5%, Pasco - 9%
2013: State All Students - 54%, State ELLs - 18%, Alachua - 12%, Escambia - 12%, Pasco - 17%
2014: State All Students - 55%, State ELLs - 19%, Alachua - 19%, Escambia - 11%, Pasco - 19%
Math Grade 4

2012    2013    2014

State All Students: 71%  64%  63%
State ELLs: 54%  61%  50%
Leon: 48%  47%  44%
Alachua: 35%  38%  40%
Hardee: 60%  64%  64%
Math Grade 6

- State All Students
- State ELLs
- St. Johns
- Alachua
- Leon

Percentage Trends:
- 2012: State All Students (53%), State ELLs (17%), St. Johns (30%), Alachua (43%), Leon (39%)
- 2013: State All Students (56%), State ELLs (19%), St. Johns (46%), Alachua (47%), Leon (47%)
- 2014: State All Students (62%), State ELLs (22%), St. Johns (53%), Alachua (53%), Leon (53%)
Math Grade 7

- State All Students
- State ELLs
- St. Johns
- Alachua
- Leon

Year | State All Students | State ELLs | St. Johns | Alachua | Leon
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2012 | 74% | 21% | 33% | 44% | 56%*
2013 | 55% | 20% | 42% | 44% | 56%*
2014 | 57% | 24% | 40% | 40% | 56%*
Math Grade 8

- State All Students
- State ELLs
- Charlotte
- Alachua
- Leon
Science Grade 5
Algebra I EOC

State All Students
- 2012: 71%
- 2013: 67%
- 2014: 73%

State ELLs
- 2012: 58%
- 2013: 63%
- 2014: 67%

Alachua
- 2012: 55%
- 2013: 53%
- 2014: 65%

Leon
- 2012: 29%
- 2013: 36%
- 2014: 41%

St. Johns
- 2012: 53%
- 2013: 52%
- 2014: 54%
Geometry I EOC

- State All Students
- State ELLs
- Alachua
- Escambia
- Leon
Civics EOC

2015

State All Students: 65%
State ELLs: 22%
Flagler: 43%
St. Johns: 58%
Leon: 48%
United States History EOC

2013
2014
2015

State All Students
State ELLs
Alachua
Hernando
Volusia

56%
53%
47%
65%
66%

30%
31%
26%
33%

17%
22%
19%
What does our ELL performance on Annual Measurable Achievement Objectives (AMAOs) look like?
Annual Measurable Achievement Objectives (AMAOs) 2014

• Districts Making AMAO 1 – Percent Making Progress in English Language Acquisition
  • Alachua, Bay, Gilchrist, Glades, Nassau, Osceola, Santa Rosa, Sarasota, Seminole, Sumter and FAU Lab

• Districts Making AMAO 2 – Percent Proficient in English
  • Alachua, Bay, Clay, Columbia, Gilchrist, Hernando, Leon, St. Johns, Santa Rosa, Sarasota, Seminole and FAU Lab

• Districts Making AMAO 3 – Attainment of Academic Content Standards
  • Gilchrist, St. Johns, Santa Rosa, Walton and FSU Lab
Annual Measurable Achievement Objectives (AMAOs) 2014 (cont’d)

• Districts Making AMAOs 1, 2 and 3
  • Gilchrist and Santa Rosa

• Web: http://www.fldoe.org/aala/amao.asp
What does our ELL graduation rate look like?
How long are our ELLs in the English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) Program?
ELL Time in the Florida ESOL Program based on ELL Entry Date

- Texas study links shorter time in ESOL programs to higher ELL matriculation to college: [http://www.migrationpolicy.org/pubs/TexasELLS.pdf](http://www.migrationpolicy.org/pubs/TexasELLS.pdf)
- State average for longer than 6 years in the ESOL program is 8%
- 28 districts are above the state average for longer than 6 years in the ESOL program
- 15 districts report no ELLs longer than 6 years in the ESOL program
- 36 districts report ELLs longer than 10 years in the ESOL program
How many of our ELLs are enrolled in advanced courses?
Course Enrollment Patterns – Districts Enrolling ELLs at High Percentages in Advanced Classes

- Advanced Placement Biology
  - Clay, Lake and Leon
- Advanced Placement English Composition
  - Hernando and St. Johns
- Advanced Placement United States History
  - Pasco
- English Honors 3
  - Alachua
- Pre-Calculus Honors
  - Alachua, Citrus, Pasco, Sumter and Suwannee
- Spanish 3 Honors
  - Duval, Hillsborough and Orange
- Computing for College and Careers
  - Broward, Hernando, Monroe and Seminole
How many of our ELLs are not promoted in grades 3 and 10?
Grade 10 Non-Promotion

- State All Students: 7% (2011-2012), 8% (2012-2013), 7% (2013-2014)
- State ELLs: 6% (2011-2012), 5% (2012-2013, 2013-2014)
- Broward ELLs (0%): Constant 0%
- Dade ELLs: 3% (2011-2012), 3% (2012-2013), 3% (2013-2014)
- Lee ELLs (0%): Constant 0%
- Marion ELLs (0%): Constant 0%
- Martin ELLs: 0% (2011-2012), 0% (2012-2013), 0% (2013-2014)
What information is available on our new English language proficiency assessment?
Assessing Comprehension and Communication in English State-to-State for English Language Learners 2.0 (ACCESS for ELLs 2.0)

Florida will administer the ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 assessments as a tool to measure English Language Learners (ELLs) proficiency in English; thus, ensuring the skills needed in school to achieve at high levels, academically. ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 is a large-scale test of English language proficiency based on the WIDA English Language Development (ELD) standards adopted by Florida in June 2014.

For the 2015 – 2016 school year, the following assessments are used to satisfy state and federal requirements for the annual assessment of the English language proficiency of English language learners:

- **Kindergarten ACCESS for ELLs**, a paper-based assessment for Kindergarten
- **ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 Paper**, a paper-based assessment for Grades 1–12
- **Alternate ACCESS for ELLs**, a paper-based assessment for students in Grades 1–12 who have significant cognitive disabilities
Important Resources

Florida’s WIDA webpage: [https://www.wida.us/membership/states/Florida.aspx](https://www.wida.us/membership/states/Florida.aspx)

- The purpose of this website is to provide Florida-specific information regarding the administration of ACCESS for ELLs 2.0.

WIDA Secure Portal: [www.wida.us/login.aspx](http://www.wida.us/login.aspx)

- The purpose of this portal is to provide online training modules and certification to district and school personnel for ACCESS for ELLs 2.0.

WIDA Assessment Management System (WIDA AMS): [www.wida-ams.us](http://www.wida-ams.us)

- The purpose of this online administrative portal is to order test materials, edit student demographic information and accommodations, and download the Spring 2016 ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 Score Reports.
Students to be Tested

All students enrolled in the district (grades K-12) and classified ELL, with a code of “LY” on the 1st day of the test administration window, must be administered ACCESS for ELLs 2.0.

Students with disabilities participate in the statewide assessment program by taking one of the following:

• ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 without accommodations,
• ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 with accommodations, or
• Alternate ACCESS for ELLs

Important: All determinations regarding participation and accommodations in the statewide assessment program must be documented in the student’s IEP or Section 504 Plan, and the student’s ELL Plan.
# 2016 ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 Schedule

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Test Overview

• **Kindergarten ACCESS for ELLs** is an individually administered, adaptive assessment designed to take an average of 45 minutes per student.
  • The Test Administrator scores all sections, including the Writing test, on site.

• **ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 Paper** is available in three tiered forms within a grade-level cluster. Tier refers to the form of the test administered that roughly corresponds to a student’s position along the second language continuum: Tier A (Beginning); Tier B (Intermediate); or Tier C (Advanced).
  • Grade-Level Clusters: 1, 2, 3, 4–5, 6–8, 9–12
  • The Speaking section is individually administered and scored by the Test Administrator.
  • The Listening, Reading, and Writing sections can be group-administered.

• **Alternate ACCESS for ELLs** is an individually administered, semi-adaptive assessment.
  • Grade-Level Clusters: 1–2, 3–5, 6–8, 9–12
  • The Test Administrator scores all sections.
Training and Certification Requirements for Test Administrators via WIDA Secure Portal

WIDA requires that all Test Administrators score 80% or higher on the appropriate quiz to become a certified Test Administrator. For some educators, one or more quizzes are required.

• **Kindergarten ACCESS for ELLs**: Kindergarten Training Module and take the Kindergarten quiz

• **ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 Paper**: Speaking Assessment Scoring Module and take the appropriate quiz
  
  • There are five Speaking Assessment Scoring Modules that cover the grade-level clusters (Grade 1, 2–3, 4–5, 6–8, 9–12), which takes approximately 90 minutes to complete all modules. These modules provide sample student responses for Test Administrators to practice scoring.
  
  • The Speaking Quiz is provided in two grade-level clusters (Grades 1–5 or 6–12).
    
    • **Note**: If a Test Administrator is not administering the Speaking section, the Speaking quiz is not required.

• **Alternate ACCESS for ELLs**: Alternate ACCESS for ELLs Training Module and take the Alternate ACCESS for ELLs quiz
## 2016 ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 Regional Training Sessions

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2016 ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 Score Reports

The following reports will be provided for Kindergarten ACCESS for ELLs, ACCESS for ELLs 2.0, and Alternate ACCESS for ELLs:

• **Individual Student Report (ISR):** This report provides information about the student’s scores on the ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 English proficiency test. Scores are reported as Proficiency Levels and as Scale Scores of four individual language domains and combined domains.
  
  • **Note:** For Kindergarten ACCESS for ELLs ONLY, there is also a separate Parent/Guardian Report that is exclusively online via WIDA AMS. The Parent/Guardian Report provides the same information as the ISR.

• **Student Roster Report:** This report lists individual scale scores along with their corresponding ELP levels for each grade according to grade-level clusters.

• **School Frequency Report:** This report shows the distribution of ELLs according to their language proficiency levels for each language domain and combination of domains in a stated grade of a specified school.

• **District Frequency Report:** This report shows the distribution of ELLs according to their language proficiency levels for each language domain and combination of domains in a stated grade of a specified district.

**Important:** Districts are scheduled to receive one hardcopy of each score report on May 20, 2016, but additional reports can be printed via WIDA AMS.

[www.FLDOE.org](http://www.FLDOE.org)
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